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Red Wing Awarded \$1.99 Million in Port Infrastructure Development Funding

(November 6, 2023, Red Wing, Minn.) – The Red Wing Port Authority and City of Red Wing will receive \$1.99 million in grant funding to complete port improvements at two industrial sites.

The first component of the project is the repair and rehabilitation of the Little River Bulkhead. Little River Bulkhead is used for unloading bulk commodities from barges, and repairs are necessary to maintain the bulkhead and its dock’s long-term integrity and functionality.

The second component of the project is to replace four barge mooring clusters that are adjacent to Red Wing Grain’s Mississippi River barge dock wall. The clusters are leased to Red Wing Grain, who uses them for barges carrying corn and soybeans after they have been loaded. The grant funding will allow damaged clusters to be replaced and for the clusters to be realigned for improved navigation.

“The two pieces of this project are interconnected and will help increase efficiency and lower operational costs at both sites,” said Red Wing Port Authority Director Kyle Klatt. “The improved safety and reliability will enhance our local economy, which greatly benefits from the strength of our port.”

The award is part of \$653 million the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Maritime Administration is issuing to 41 projects through its Port Infrastructure Development Program.

“We are grateful that our project was selected in this competitive program,” said Port Authority Board President Bethanie Flattum. “Receiving this award is recognition that having a strong and healthy port here in Red Wing is a valuable part of our country’s freight transportation system.”

The City of Red Wing is dedicated to creating a sustainable, healthy, accessible, resilient, and equitable community where every person feels at home.

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